

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS20006

The Board of Pharmacy is required to maintain a prescription tracking program and controlled substances prescription database, as per Sections 37-2726 and 37-2730(A), Idaho Code. IDAPA 27.01.01.451 allows the dispensing of certain controlled substances by a pharmacist without a prescription via logging into a bound record book. The dispensation by pharmacists is not captured by the Board's prescription tracking program. IDAPA 27.01.01.451 exists in order to allow a pharmacist to provide certain, needed health care services without raising the cost of health care by mandating a visit to a prescribing practitioner. The proposed legislation grants pharmacists limited prescriptive authority to prescribe the controlled substances they are currently able to dispense without a prescription, in order to allow the pharmacist to send information regarding the prescription to the Board of Pharmacy for entry into the controlled substances prescription database.

FISCAL NOTE

None.

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